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1. I APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S SUGGESTION THAT I SERVE
AS CHAIRMAN OF THE US DELEGATION TO THE UPCOMING SHRIMP
NEGOTIATIONS, BUT CONSIDER IT DISTINCTLY PREFERABBLE THAT
OUR DELEGATION BE HEADED BY A SPECIALIST FROM WASHINGTON.
I BELIEVE THAT IT IS DOUBTFUL PRACTICE TO HAVE RESIDENT
AMBASSADORS HEADING DELEGATIONS OF THIS KIND BECAUSE IT
MAY TEND TO RAISE THE HOST GOVERNMENT'S EXPECTATIONS OF
WHAT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM AN OFFICIAL WHO HAS TO DEAL WITH
IT DAY-TO-DAY ON A BROAD FRONT. I ALSO THINK I CAN BE
MORE USEFUL AT ONE REMOVE ON THE SIDE LINES AS ONE
INTERESTED FROM THE STANDPOINT OF US-BRAZIL RELATIONS IN
HELPING TO KEEP THE NEGOTIATIONS MOVING TO A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

2. A FURTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION IS THAT IT IS DESIRABLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT THE HEAD OF OUR DELEGATION BE AN OFFICER ALREADY KNOWN TO AND ACCEPTED BY THE INDUSTRY, WHICH WILL, I PRESUME, AGAIN BE REPRESENTED ON OUR DELEGATION. IT IS NOT UNTHINKABLE THAT, SHOULD THE INDUSTRY GET LESS THAN ITS OPTIMUM IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, THERE WOULD BE GRUMBLING ABOUT ITS HAVING SUFFERED FROM "LOCALITIX".

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